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SUBJECT: PRESS ARRANGEMENTS FOR FRG-US ENVIRONMENTAL  
AGREEMENT

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE SUGGESTED PRESS  
RELEASE FOR THE FRG-US ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT:  
BEGIN TEXT

AN AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IN ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS  
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE  
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY WAS SIGNED TODAY AT A  
CEREMONY IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

SIGNING FOR THE UNITED STATES WERE AMBASSADOR MARTIN J.  
HILLENBRAND AND RUSSELL E. TRAIN, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. SIGNING FOR THE FRG  
WERE INTERIOR MINISTER HANS-DIETRICH GENSCHER AND  
STATE SECRETARY KARL MOERSCH.

MR. TRAIN, WHO WAS IN EUROPE TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL  
MEETING OF THE NATO COMMITTEE ON THE CHALLENGES OF  
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MODERN SOCIETY (CCMS), WAS INVITED BY THE FRG GOVERN-

MENT TO COME TO BONN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT, WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER NEGOTIATION BY THE TWO GOVERNMENTS FOR THE PAST YEAR.

THE AGREEMENT PROVIDES THAT COOPERATION MAY BE UNDERTAKEN IN A WIDE RANGE OF AGREED AREAS PERTAINING TO ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING POLLUTION PROBLEMS, ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, TRAINING, EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

ACTIVITIES FORESEEN IN THE AGREEMENT INCLUDE CARRYING OUT AGREED COOPERATIVE PROJECTS; MEETINGS, TECHNICAL SYMPOSIA AND CONFERENCES; EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND DATA; VISITS, AND COORDINATION OF SPECIFIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES.

THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AGREED TO SEEK TO HARMONIZE THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PRACTICES AND TO PROMOTE BROAD INTERNATIONAL HARMONIZATION OF EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO PREVENT AND CONTROL ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION. THE AGREEMENT ALSO CONTAINS A PROVISION THAT BOTH GOVERNMENTS WILL SEEK TO ENSURE "THAT THE COST OF CARRYING OUT POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL MEASURES WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE COST OF GOODS AND SERVICES WHICH CAUSE POLLUTION IN PRODUCTION OR CONSUMPTION, AND TO PREVENT ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES BEING USED AS NON-TARIFF BARRIERS TO TRADE." CONSULTATIONS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT WHEN TRADE DISTORTIONS RESULT FROM DIFFERENCES IN ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICES IN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT MAY INCLUDE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, PRIVATE ECONOMIC ENTERPRISES AND CITIZEN ORGANIZATIONS.

THE AGREEMENT HAS A LIFE OF FIVE YEARS AND MAY BE RENEWED FOR FURTHER FIVE-YEAR PERIODS.

(THE TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED.)

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END TEXT.

2. THE RELEASE AND ACCOMPANYING TEXT OF THE AGREEMENT WOULD BE EMBARGOED FOR RELEASE AT 1630 HOURS GMT THURSDAY, MAY 9.  
HILLENBRAND

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